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SUBJ: SOVIET SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE DISCUSSES UN ISSUES WITH GOP

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SUMMARY: SOVIET UN EXPERT, VISITING ISLAMABAD, EXCHANGED
VIEWS WITH GOP ON UNGA SPECIAL SESSION, LAW OF SEA
CONFERENCE AND 29TH UNGA. END SUMMARY.

1. SOVIET SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE BORIS FEDROVICH PODTSEROB
HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH MFA OFFICIALS DURING VISIT TO
ISLAMABAD MARCH 24 THROUGH 27. PODTSEROB, WHO
APPARENTLY IS SOVIET UN EXPERT FOR SOUTH ASIA AND
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ADJACENT AREAS, LAST VISITED PAKISTAN IN SPETEMBER

1973 (ISLAMABAD 7588).

2. MFA DIRECTOR FOR UN AFFAIRS AKRAM TOLD EMBOFF APRIL 2 THAT PODTSEROB DISCUSSED THREE SUBJECTS IN HIS MEETINGS WITH MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS AZIZ AHMED AND FOREIGN SECRETARY AGHA SHAHI: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION, LAW OF SEA CONFERENCE AND 29TH UNGA. ACCORDING TO AKRAM, PODTSEROB ONLY TOUCHED LIGHTLY ON UNGA SPECIAL SESSION AND LEFT IMPRESSION THAT SOVIET POSITION STILL SOMEWHAT FUZZY. AKRAM SAID GOP REVIEWED ITS POSITION IN SUPPORT OF ALGERIAN INITIATIVE, STATING FURTHER THAT GOP FELT ALL OPEC COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE EARLY STEPS TO LIMIT NEGATIVE IMPACT ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF OIL PRICE INCREASES.

3. PODTSEROB REVIEWED FOR GOP OFFICIALS SOVIET POSITIONSON PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING ISSUES BEFORE LAW OF SEA CONFERENCE. PODTSEROB INDICATED THAT ECONOMIC ZONE PROPOSAL GAVE SOVIET UNION CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY, BUT THAT USSR WAS PREPARED TO ACCEPT EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE ON TWO CONDITIONS: (A) THAT THOSE COUNTRIES ENDORSING ECONOMIC ZONE ACCEPT SOVIET POSITIONS ON STRAITS, CONTINENTAL SHELF AND TERRITORIAL WATERS; AND (B) THAT SOME PROVISION BE MADE WHEREBY LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES UNABLE TO UNDERTAKE EXPLOITATION OF ECONOMIC ZONE WOULD PERMIT OTHER STATES TO DEVELOP JOINT VENTURES FOR EXPLOITATION OF ECONOMIC RESOURCES IN ECONOMIC ZONE. PODTSEROB ALSO REVIEWED SOVIET POSITION ON NUMBER OF OTHER ISSUES SUCH AS LANDLOCKED STATES.

4. REGARDING UNGA, AKRAM SAID PODTSEROB PUSHED HARDEST FOR SOVIET PROPOSAL TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM MILITARY BUDGETS TO DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ROB) ON WHICH GOP ABSTAINED DURING 28TH GA. PODTSEROB INQUIRED WHETHER GOP WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN COMMITTEE LOOKING INTO IMPLEMENTATION OF ROB. AKRAM SAID GOP FINESSED DIRECT RESPONSE. NUMBER OF OTHER MINOR MATTERS WERE ALSO BROUGHT UP FOR DIS-

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